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SUBJECT: KISSINGER AND CHAVAN REMARKS UPON SIGNING AGREED
MINUTES OF INDO-U.S. JOINT COMMISSION, OCTOBER 7

THE FOLLOWING REMARKS WERE MADE AT SIGNING:

SECRETARY KISSINGER

1. MR. FOREIGN MINISTER, DISTINGUISHED GUESTS: I THINK
THE SIGNING OF THIS AGREEMENT IS AN AUSPICIOUS OCCASION
WHICH SYMBOLIZES THE WORK THAT HAS BEEN DONE DURING THE
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PAST YEAR BY THE JOINT COMMISSION AND THE WORK THAT STILL

LIES AHEAD.

2. THE UNITED STATES AND INDIA AGREED LAST YEAR, ON THE OCCASION OF MY VISIT TO NEW DELHI, TO PLACE OUR RELATIONSHIP ON A MORE LONG-TERM AND MORE EFFECTIVE AND MORE PERMANENT BASIS, FREE FROM SOME OF THE EMOTIONAL SWINGS THAT HAD CHARACTERIZED SOME OF OUR RELATIONSHIP PREVIOUSLY.

3. IN THIS NEW AND MORE MATURE RELATIONSHIP, BOTH SIDES HAVE COME TO UNDERSTAND THEIR PERMANENT COMMON INTEREST IN PEACE, STABILITY AND PROGRESS, AND THEY CAN COOPERATE ON GLOBAL PROBLEMS FROM THE POINT OF THEIR DIFFERENT

PERSPECTIVES BUT, NEVERTHELESS, KEEPING ALWAYS IN MIND THAT THEY HAVE A COMMON STAKE IN WORLD PEACE AND A COMMON INTEREST THAT DEVELOPMENT TAKE PLACE ON THE BASIS OF COOPERATION AND NOT CONFRONTATION.

4. WE AGREE WITH WHAT THE FOREIGN MINISTER SAID TO THE UNITED NATIONS -- THAT NATIONS SHOULD BEGIN CONFRONTING PROBLEMS AND NOT EACH OTHER. THIS IS THE SPIRIT IN WHICH THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE DEVELOPED AND THE DEVELOPING NATIONS SHOULD TAKE PLACE, TO WHICH INDIA AND THE UNITED STATES CAN MAKE AN IMPORTANT CONTRIBUTION.

5. I'D LIKE TO THANK THE CHAIRMEN OF THE SUBCOMMISSIONS THAT HAVE DONE SUCH EFFECTIVE WORK. WE WILL CONTINUE OUR EXCHANGES ON THE SUBJECTS THAT THE COMMISSION DEALS WITH AS WELL AS ON OTHER POLITICAL PROBLEMS OF COMMON INTEREST, AND WE HOPE TO HAVE ANOTHER MEETING OF THIS JOINT COMMISSION NEXT SPRING IN INDIA. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

FOREIGN MINISTER CHAVAN

6. MR. SECRETARY OF STATE AND FRIENDS: I CONSIDER THIS A SIGNIFICANT OCCASION. TODAY WE HAVE SIGNED A DOCUMENT WHICH ENCOMPASSES THE WORK PUT IN BY THREE SUBCOMMISSIONS OF THE INDO-U.S. JOINT COMMISSION ON UNCLASSIFIED

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ECONOMIC, COMMERCIAL, SCIENTIFIC, TECHNOLOGICAL, EDUCATIONAL AND CULTURAL COOPERATION IN WORKING OUT A PROGRAM FOR THE COMING YEARS.

7. I'M GLAD THAT BOTH OUR SIDES HAVE BEEN ABLE TO REACH AGREEMENT ON A WIDE-RANGING AREA IN EACH OF THE SPECIFIED FIELDS.

8. WHAT WE HAVE TRIED TO ACHIEVE IN THE DOCUMENT WE HAVE SIGNED TODAY IS TO LAY DOWN GUIDELINES FOR AN ACTION-ORIENTED AND TIME-BORNE PROGRAM WHICH WE EXPECT WILL LEAD TO TANGIBLE RESULTS IN THE YEARS AHEAD. THE JOINT BUSINESS COUNCIL, WHICH HAS BEEN SET UP UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE SUBCOMMISSION ON ECONOMIC AND COMMERCIAL AFFAIRS WILL, WE HOPE, SERVE AS A USEFUL BODY, ENABLING A FULLER EXCHANGE OF VIEWS AND PRACTICAL COOPERATION BETWEEN BUSINESS LEADERS OF BOTH COUNTRIES.

9. A SIGNIFICANT ORGANIZATIONAL ASPECT OF THE JOINT BUSINESS COUNCIL, FROM OUR VIEWPOINT, IS THE PARTICIPATION

OF INDIAN PUBLIC-SECTOR ORGANIZATIONS IN THE WORK OF THE COUNCIL.

10. ANOTHER IMPORTANT BODY WHICH HAS BEEN AGREED TO IS THE WORKING GROUP ON INDUSTRIAL COOPERATION, WHICH WILL BE ENTRUSTED WITH THE TASK OF IDENTIFYING AND PROMOTING JOINT INDUSTRIAL INTERESTS IN THIRD COUNTRIES INVOLVING INDIAN MANUFACTURING AND CONSULTANCY SERVICES. AND THE EARNESTNESS OF OUR TWO GOVERNMENTS TO SECURE MAXIMUM BENEFIT TO BOTH SIDES FROM SUCH COOPERATION IS HIGHLIGHTED BY OUR AGREEMENT TO HOLD INITIAL DISCUSSIONS WITH A VIEW TO CONCLUDE A TREATY TO AVOID ANY DOUBLE TAXATION.

11. I WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A SPECIAL MENTION HERE OF THE VERY USEFUL EXCHANGE OF VIEWS WHICH I HAVE HAD WITH SECRETARY OF STATE DR. KISSINGER, AS WELL AS WITH OTHER COLLEAGUES IN THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT.

12. I ALSO HAVE HAD THE PRIVILEGE OF MEETING PRESIDENT
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FORD AND TO VIEW INDO-U.S. RELATIONS IN BROAD PERSPECTIVE.

13. I SHARE YOUR VIEW, MR. SECRETARY, THAT THE JOINT COMMISSION PROVIDES AN INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK FOR DEVELOPING OUR RELATIONS ON A MATURE, A REALISTIC AND STABLE BASIS -- FREE FROM DAY-TO-DAY FLUCTUATIONS.

14. I TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO EXPRESS MY THANKS TO THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES -- AND, IN PARTICULAR, TO SECRETARY OF STATE DR. KISSINGER -- FOR THE EXCELLENT ARRANGEMENTS MADE AND THE WARM HOSPITALITY EXTENDED TO ME AND THE MEMBERS OF DELEGATIONS. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

15. FYI: TEXTS HAVE BEEN MADE AVAILABLE TO PRESS BY

DEPARTMENT. WE HAVE NO OBJECTION TO YOUR USE. END FYI.
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